READY FOR CHRISTMAS

Splendid Display by Storekeepers for the Approaching Holidays.

to Select Presents of All Varieties for Good Little Boys and Girls Young America's Warlike Spirit Provided for-Toys of All Kinds.

Just two weeks from this morning Christmas Day will be ushered in with all the pemp of mysterious stuffed stockings, blare of tin trumpets and the roll if toy drums. Therefore it is both interesting and timely to note that that venerable philanthropist, Hon. Santa Claus, has aiready appeared upon the scene and thus early are locked closets piled with strange bundles in thousands of homes. For many years the holi-day trade has been confined to the great week preceding the great day, and that the patron saint of nurseries should anticipate three weeks ahead of time has caused some The adult conspirators claim that this is due to prosperity and the pres-ence of some holiday funds; while the youngsters are too busily energed in an-ticipation to express any operation the

At all events the early and trade in jumping-jacks, stuffed rabbits, Noah's arks, and woully dogs has been extremely been as the strength of t beavy and it is expected that this will less en the usual jam at the last moment. All last week thousands of bundles were carefully sneaked home by the wary pater and mater and hidden away from the icono-clastic eye of the present younger generation. For years no attempt at running the nursery blockade was generally made until a few days before Christmas, when closely following upon the heels of a "pay day," the smiling army of shoppers would make a sudden and decisive charge upon the stores and begin a flerce engagement which insted until midnight on Christmas eve. Already the general holiday aspect has

taken possession of the show windows and overshadowed all else. Pine tree and tin-sel, tableau and toy have replaced the staples of other seasons and crowded them out. But one feature is lacking in full out. The state Department has decided that the Mr. Atterbury, named by Consul Charles Macram to succeed him at Pretoof the Christmas card. Once an all-impor-

The Spanish war has done much to shape ing. About half the space in every toy deand navies which perform all manner of wonderful evolutions. Real steel Olympias and Brooklyns wage an endless warfare with Spanish floats and chart with Spanish floats and chart with Spanish floats. fare with Spanish fleets, and whole army corps march and countermarch along who Mr. Macrum wanted to name as his shelves and up the counters. Anything successor. Press despatches from Chicago from a troop of Rough Riders to a company of Spanish infantry may be obtained. city several years ago under a cloud, leav-Admirals, generals, bluejackets, and sol-diers are all on equal footing, save that the officers are allowed more gaudy paint. Dewey and Schley may be found anywhere and at any price, while any craft from a battleship to a torpedo boat can be carried home without trouble. San Juan Hill, in a half dozen sizes, my be captured for a torpedo boat parties of the country. While the instructions given Mr. Hay on his leaving Washfew dollars, white Santiago is made to sur- ington Saturday, have not been made pubrender to either a company or an army corps, according to the extent of the pock-

Then there are Dewey and Schley dolls in looking atter British prisoners in the in great profusion. Aguinaldo can be found in many avocations, from pushing an automatic wagon to shooting pennies into a that this country's agent would not be

holiday season and it is probable that few if any youngsters will be forgotten by Santa Claus. It may be that he is making his rounds here now, so as to arrive in Ma-nila in time for Christmas, but however this may be, he has already cared for quite a number of homes in the District. In order that no matter may go astray during the holiday rush, the Postoffice Defew rules which should be carefully observed and followed,

The rules are as follows: First—Valuable packa and Every package should be plain-

ly addressed, and should bear the name and address of the sender, in the upper left-hand corner of the superscription face of the wrapper, unless the sender has some reason for not wishing to have his name appear. Third-The package should be securely

put up. If it contains fragile articles, they should be packed with raw cotton or some substance that will protect them from damage. Photographs or other pictures, or articles of paper or cardboard, should be protected by thin wooder Fourth-Postage should be prepaid in

full-1 cent an ounce for merchandise, and 1 cent for every two ounces for books or other matter wholly in print-each class postage, the registry fee should be pre-Fifth-Matter should be mailed as soon

rith—Matter should be mailed as soon as possible, otherwise there may be de-lay in its despatch, owing to the large accumulation at the postoffice in the three or four days prior to Christmas or New

matter to the main office, it may be reg-istered or mailed at any of the branch offices or at the numerous postal substa-tions throughout the city.

Injured in a Runaway.

ROCKVILLE, Md., Dec. 11 .- .. 'ames W. Rabbitt, who resides a few miles from this town, was seriously injured in a runaway accident on the Washington and Ceorgetown turnpike, near here, yesterday after-noon. He was driving in a buggy with his two young children. His house became frightened at an engine and ran down an embankment. The buggy was upset, throw ing all three of the occupants out. Mr. Rabbitt sustained a painful injury to the head, and was also considerably braised about the body. The children escaped un-

EAN RENO, Dec. 11.-In a collision between two passenger trains this morning in atunnel near Savonne, twenty-four persons were injured, including an American

Trouble Over a Cork Leg. SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 11.-Mrs. Frank Cobb, of Greenfield township, has been made defendant in a suit for \$45 brought by a Philadelphia artificial leg manufac-turer in Alderman Howe's court. She re-fused to accept a leg which she ordered on the ground that it did not fit. She won the suit. The two attorneys in the case, Geo D. Taylor and James J. O'Malley, are both one-legged men, and Constable J. C. Mowho served the subpoena, lost his leg in the breaker when a boy.

A Little Girl

J. JAY GOULD'S, 421 9th St.

BRIGHAM H. ROBERTS' CASE.

A Resolution on the Matter Intro-duced in the Bouse. Representative John J. Lentz of Ohlo today introduced the following resolution, which will no doubt add to the labor of the special committee appointed to investigate the charges against Represe tive-elect Brigham H. Roberts of Utah:

tive-elect Brigham H. Roberts of Utah:

Whereas it is charged and generally believed that John C. Graham, postmaster at Provo City, Utah, a Presidential appointmet, is incligible to a hold Federal office, for the same reason that it is alleged Brigham H. Roberts is incligible to a seat in the House of Representatives; and.

Whereas it is charged and generally believed that Orson Smith, postmaster at Logan, Utah, a Presidential appointer, is incligible to hold Federal office for the same reason that it is alleged Brigham H. Hoberts is incligible to a seat in the House of Representatives,

Resolved, That said committee of nine members heretofore appointed to esquire into the alleged polygang of said Brigham H. Roberts shall have power sail be directed to send for persons and papers and examine witnesses on oath in relation to said Federal appointeres, John C. Graham and Orson Smith, and that after axid examination said committee shall report to this House of Representatives whether it is true, as frequently alleged, that said John C. Graham and Orson Smith, Presidential pestmaster, respectively, at Provo City Utah, and Logan, Utah, are now and for some months have been under indictment as polygamiets, and whether it is true that at the time of their appointment, more than two years ago, said postmasters were open and motorsons polygamists, and whether or not at the time of their appointment or prior thereto affidavits and papers evidencing such polygamy of both or cither of them were on file.

Commenting upon the Roberts case Mr.

Commenting upon the Roberts case Mr. Commenting upon the Roberts case Mr. Lentz said:

"It does seem to me that while we are on the subject of polygamy we ought to clean the whole house, scrape the walls, and then put on new paper. If polygamy is to be denied Congressional recognition it certainly ought not to have Presidential recognition. Graham and Smith are both under indicting the and have here for months. der indictment, and have been for months. as polygamists. They were known as polygamists when appointed more than two years ago by the President, and, if we are not hypocrites in considering the Roberts case, we shall never stop until the polyg-amous postmanters in Utah are also denied further recognition by the Federal Govern-

MR. ATTERBURY INELIGIBLE. A State Department Decision on the

ria, South Africa, is not eligible to take charge of the affairs of this country in the embossed tokens of remembrance have Transvaal. Today the department cabled scemingly passed into disuse and only some N. Stanley Hollis, United States Consul at few specimens seen in bookstore windows remain to mark an ancient and kindly faceed at once to Pretoria.

Mr. Hollis will take charge of this counthe toys which will delight the true be-lievers in Kris Kringle on Christmas morn-val of Adelbert S. Hay, son of the Secretary of State, who will sail from New York

ing several thousand dollars' worth of un-paid bills. He is supposed to have gone to South Africa, and it was thought be might be the Atterbury at Pretoria.

lie, it is known that Mr. Hay was told to insist upon the Boer Government permit-ting him to act for the British Government

bank. Even a mule, which can be made permitted to look after British prisoners bank. Even a mule, which can be made to bray suspiciously like the famed marryr of Matanzas, is on exhibition.

All kinds of artillery, from the 13-inch rifle to the disappearing gun, may be found for sale. Then there are toy rifles on swords, with complete full dress or khaki uniforms for young men with military appirations. So too are there Red Cross beautills and toy ambulances and a scongul at Pretoria until Mr. Hay's ar-

Cross hospitals and toy ambulances and a as consul at Pretoria until Mr. Hay's arthousand and one other things to delight rival, has been in the service for the last The present outlook indicates a great solution and it is probable that few solutions will be forgotten by year and a half.

SEARCHING FOR POISON.

Analysis of the Oysters Sent Mrs. Smith Not Completed.

There were practically no developments observed and followed, oysters received by Mrs. Martha E. packages, either of Smith, at her home, 317 H Street north-list to an average of three points in the inbooks or merchandise, should be regis- east, jast Monday night. John D. Hird, investigation today, but as the undertaking is delicate and difficult, more time than had at first been presumed, will be required to complete it.

WILLS FILED FOR PROBATE.

The Testaments of T. O. Jones an Martha A. Ashburn.

Two wills were filed today for probate. That of Thomas O. Jones, who formerly resided at \$16 H Street northeast, where of matter to be so put up as to be easily examined at the postoffice, if that should be conducted an undertaker's business, be deemed necessary. In addition to the is dated in July last. According to its terms the deceased directs that the business formerly conducted by him shall be continued by his widow, Florence A. Jones, until her youngest child shall reach the age of twenty-one years. Should the business become unprofitable or his widow marry, it is ordered that William Hughes, who is named as executor, and his widow, who is appointed executrix, shall close up the business and invest the pro-ceeds in notes or bonds secured by real estate within the District. Until the business is discontinued the net income is left to his widow. Upon his youngest child attaining the age of twenty-one years the testator directs that the entire estate shall be shared equally among all his children According to the terms of the will of Martha A. Ashburn, dated April 5, 1895, the testatrix leaves her entire estate to her daughter, Mary F. Ashburn, of this city.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Dr. Doty, of New York, Confers With

Surgeon General Wyman. Dr. A. C. Doty, Health Officer of the Port of New York, was in this city today in conference with Surgeon General Wy garding the disposal of the cargo of coffee on the ship J. W: Taylor, from Santos,

From the information that Surgeon Gen eral Wyman has received from Dr. Gettings, the bacteriological expert, and Dr. Doty he is of the opinion that there will be not the slightest danger of infection should land coffee, however, rests entirely with the New York health officers, but it is

the New York health officers, but it is thought that General Wyman's opinion in the matter will have considerable weight in determining their course.

The cargo of the yessel has been thor-oughly disinfected, and Surgeon General Wyman said today that if any bubonic plague baccill had ever existed it would have been completely removed.

In view of the fact that this country is exposed to the danger of infection from vessels sailing from Santos, Brazil, and Oporto, special quarantine regulations have been issued, and all vessels from these ports will be subjected to the closest scrutiny.

A Decline in Almost Every Line of Stocks in Wall Street.

and Sugar Shares Leading Features in the Downward Movement Causes of the Break in Securities.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 .- There was a semi panicky opening on the Stock Exchange this morning. Prices tumbled in a way that was suggestive of almost complete demoral-Tobacco and Sugar shares, with Tennesses Coal and Iron and Brooklyn Rapid Transit Almost every stock on the list, however

The bears savagely attacked the weal spots in the market and they were aided by heavy liquidation. American Tobacco opened at par, a loss of four points since Saturday, and then sold down to 96. Tennessee Coal and Iron opened at 100 1-2, a loss of 3 points, and immediately dropped to 96. American Sugar seelling, ex-dividend from a fraction to one point and in some instances even more. Jersey Central opened off 1 1-2 points, Southern Pacific 1-2, New York Central 3-4 Baltimore and Ohio preferred, 5-8; Manhattan, 5-8; Atchison, pre-ferred, 1-2; Chicago, Burlington and Quin-

cy, and St. Paul, 1-2.

The break was ascribed to the prevailing monetary conditions in the district of industrial shares, in view of recent events and the fear of another advance in Bank cy, and St. Paul, 1-2. of England discount rate, with the latest discouraged developments in South Africa. It was reported early that Secretary Gage would be in town to discuss another bond purchase, but at the subtreasury no word had been received that he would call

there today.

There was a sharp and common recovery after the opening dealings, but the market retained a very feverish tone.

New York Stock Market.

1419 F Street.				
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A. S. Wire	284	31%	36%	28%
A. S. Wire ofd		10	253	NO.
* American Sugar		138	140314	137
American Tobacco		10:2	97	10136
Atchisen	21%	21%	21	21%
Atchison pfd	6337	63.7	6232	63%
It. & O. pr	69	105	1836	79
raitmore & Obio	54	5434	13%	54
Brooklyn Rapid Transit		1936	763/	19%
Coesapeane & Ohio	258	29%	29	29%
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(. H. & Q	128 %	29 %	255	129%
Cmcago & Northwest'n.		164%	162	164.5
Unicago Gas	107.5	108	107	106
L. M. & St. P	121%	121%		121 %
C. R. L& P	1105	1115	100 N	110 %
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General Electric	124	123%	121 %	126.5
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The stock market this morning had such a sensational break in prices as can be compared with no other day this year, except that after the death of Governor Flower, last May. The opening was many points off from the close of Saturday in some of the industrial securities, and ail today in the case of the alleged poisoned over the list there were tumbles varying dustrials. It was thought by many that east, last Monday night. John D. Hird,
District Chomist, who has undertaken the
task of analyzing the oysters, announced
this afternoon that contrary to expectaof prices continuing almost without hesitions, he would not be able to complete tation until noon and after. Holders of the analysis until tomorrow night, and possibly not until later. He had expected ticular, threw them overboard with no reto be able to announce the result of his sequence there were tumbles of three and four points at a time in some quarters. Few seemed willing after such an opening to predict what would be the future course of prices this week, but it was supposed that before the end of the day there would be at least a good temporary raily on the covering of shorts. Talk of the money situation being gloomy until the end of the year is heard on all sides, but people of calmer judgment look for relief from the Secretary of the Treasury, and also from the interior, so that today's extreme reak may be followed by a better market quite reasonably. Money was at 10 per cent at noon. The number of shares sold at that time had been more than 700,000,

> Tennessee Coal and Iron was the chief sensational feature of the morning. stock in its phenominal advance a few months ago never went up faster than it has declined in the last two market days. fore noon today it was selling at 87, a drop of 21 points in two market hours.

Colorado Fuel and Iron went off to 42 in the first tumble, the price of last week having been around 54. There were quick rallies in both these stocks after their first tumble, but the Street refused to conside them permanent. There was heavy cov ering of short contracts at the low prices however, and it seems not unreasonable to suppose that they have seen their lowest points. The earnings of both companies

The Flower securities on the whole were strong, comparatively speaking. Rock Island went as low as 109 3-4, a break of a point and a half. Chicago Gas went off only fractionally, and the Steel securities behaved better than any of the other industrials losing only a point or two dustrials, losing only a point or two Brooklyn also was comparatively little hurt. Paper, common, however, continued on its tremendous break, getting as low as 17 and a fraction, early in the day. All of these securities were regarded with fa-

buy stocks cheap.

The railway list generally held its own well, though the declines were heavier than they were last week at any time. As had been pointed out in this column, it could not be expected that these securities could escape entirely from the effects of the panic in the industrials. Many considered the drop in these shares to be the signal for a good covering movement by the bears. St. Paul went as low as 120 and a fraction, Atchison, preferred, as low as 63. Burlington as low as 128 and a fraction. The Northern Pacific securities declined a point or more, as did the Union Pacifics, and Southern Pacific went off a point. Pennsylvania, the Coalers, the Southern Railway securities, Louisville

and Nashville, and others were all fairly steady. There was good buying of them all at the low prices.

Sugar broke more than 7 points, selling at 142 and a fraction "ex" the dividend. It was considered fairly strong, and many inclined to buy at that price. The stories of the fight in the directorate of the company are largely fictitious, and it is stated by good authority that Mr. Matthiesen will not join the opposition forces when he leaves the trust.

Tobacco broke below par, and the Con-tinental issues were also weak. Manhat-tan went below par also. The latter stock, however, seemed fairly well supported.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—U. S. 3's, coupon: \$100@109 1-2; Chesepeke and Potomac Telephone, 5's, first mortgage: \$5,000@403 1-4; West End National Bank: 20@120; National Safe Deposit and Trust: \$60132 1-2; Washington Loan and Trust: 20@163, Capital Traction: 24@92 1-2; Washington Gas: 50@56 1-4, 75 @55 5-8, 25@55 1-2, 25@55 3-8; Mergenthaler Linotype: 10@206 1-2, 26@207, 73@206 3-4; American Graphophone: 15@12 5-8; American Graphophone: 15@12 5-8; American Graphophone: 15@12 5-8; American Graphophone: 15@12 5-8; American Graphophone, preferred: 15@13, Notice—Columbia Title Insurance Company's books are closed for election of officers, instead of for payment of dividend. Washington Stock Exchange.

GOVERNMENT BONDS

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Chicago Grain and Provision Market

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Open. High. Low.
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August 1.46 7.45 1.45 OPPOSED TO HIDDEN WEAPONS.

A Stringent Law to Be Proposed in

Virginia. RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 11.-Hon. John M. Whitehead, of Lee county, will shortly introduce in the house of delegates a bill designed to eradicate the widespread practice of pistol carrying in Virginia. There have been many shooting affairs lately, and it is thought that something more than a fine is necessary to put a

The bill will provide that any magistrate or justice of the peace may search persons suspected of having a weapon without a search warrant. If his sus-pleions are correct, the guilty party is to be fined \$20 and given thirty days in jail. Should the offence be committed on elec-tion day, the fine is to be \$500 with two years' confinement in the penitentiary.

A Woman in the Pulpit. CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Mrs. Vandalia Var-nam Thomas occupied the pulpit of the People's Church (McVicker's Theatre), vesterday. Her husband, Rev. Dr. H. W. Thomas, was present. The subject of the sermon was: "The cost of right." Mrs. Thomas' remarks were interrupted sev-eral times by applause. Mrs. Thomas, en-

couraged by her success, will seek ordina-Hanged for Murder in Kentucky. PARIS, Ky., Dec. 11.—Clarence Will-iams, colored, who killed Josie Tillman, his sweetheart, was hanged here at o'clock this morning.

Minerals in the Pellew Islands. BERLIN, Dec. 11.—Her Von Bennigsen, Governor of the Caroline Islands, which Germany recently purchased from Spain, announced the discovery of coal and gold in the Pellew Group.

The Gas Company gives you a burner tip that burns 6 ft. of gas per lighting hour. We'll give you a " tip"-

Use a Welsbach Light!

It burns only 3 feet of gas per lighting hour and gives 3 times

The Genuine Sives Satisfaction. In Sealed Box Bearing Mark

THE POISON VICTIMS. King Better and Mrs. Peffelis

Entirely Recovered.

The condition of Mrs. William Marden King, who by mistake drank sulphate of atropia at her home, 504 Eleventh Street southeast, last night, was today reported to be much improved. Mrs. King is still confined to a ward at the Casualty Hospital. Though she has not entirely recovered from the effects of the poison she is said to be out of all danger. It is expected that she will be removed from the

pected that she will be removed from the hospital this evening.

It is said that Mrs. King has for some time been a sufferer from chronic headache. It has been her custom to obtain relief from a preparation containing spirits of ammonia. While suffering with a headache last night Mrs. King drank from a vial containing the sulphate of atropia, be leving, it is said, she was taking her accustomed dose of the headache preparation. She realized her mistake at once, as the poison took immediate effect. Dr. Carrater, who was summoned, advised that Mrs. her, who was summoned, advised that Mrs. King be sent to the hospital. Mrs. King is forty-five years old. Her husband is employed at the Government Printing

Mrs. David Peffelin, who, by mistake, it Mrs. David Peffelin, who, by mistake, it is said, drank a teaspoonful of aconite at her home at Twentieth Street and Benning Road northeast, early yesterday morning was today reported to be entirely recovered. It is raid that Mrs. Peffelin arose in the dark to take some medicine and picked up a viai containing acon to by mistake. She was removed at once to advise store at Efficient and H. Streets. drug store at Fifteenth and H Streets northeast, where Dr. P. M. Burger adminnortheast, where Dr. P. M. Burger admin-istered restoratives and antidotes. Later Mrs. Peffelin was taken home by her hus-

YOUNG ROCKEFELLER LOSES.

Dealings in Leather Stocks Cost Him Millions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.-John D. Rocke feller, the younger, a few weeks ago, began his career as a financier by investing in some common leather stock at a low spot in the market.

Rockefeller senior smiled indulgently and told his son to go ahead and cut his speculative eyeteeth. Then he proceeded serene. ly on his Standard Gil way, while his young hopeful opened a grateful ear to the blandishments of the veteran of James R. Keene. Mr. Keene had more leather stock than he needed in his business. The price was not high. Young Mr Rockefeller bought

Reflecting on the triumphs of great men in Wall Street, young Rockefeller proceeded to buy all the other Leather stock that was lying around loose, and was very much pleased to see the price go floating upward.

Just as young Mr. Rockefeller concluded that he owned all the Leather extant, and was making up his mind to sell it all at a profit of several hundred per cent to the shorts, who had to have it, the whole universe suddenly seemed to contain nothing but Leather for sale.

Old leather men, who had held common Leather stock for years, during which it had rarely budged above 8 or 10, decided now to let young Mr. Rockefeller have it not grateful.

Again came his sage friend, James R. and kept on buying, while the price kept on

going up.

The rest is obvious. At the present writing there is a slump in Leather of about \$17,000,000 from the top price, at which young Mr. Rockefeller bought a lot of it. He has appealed to his father for access to the latter's bank account. He is in the same position as that of the man who had the bull by the horns. He can't let go without assistance.

of the organization. The decision to allow the governor to appoint a commission to revise the Greater New York charter is revise the Greater New York charter is revised as a defeat for Senator Platt, who has steadily opposed the plan.

Governor Roosevelt, according to report, without assistance.

without assistance.
Wall Street is waiting, breathless, to see whether Rockefeller will keep the Leather in the family to make shoes of, or draw one of the biggest checks in history.

A SHELL HITS A PILOT BOAT.

boat James Gordon Bennett No. 7, of New
Jersey, arrived here this morning in tow

Jersey, arrived here this morning in tow of the steamer pilot New York. While ly- against it on the ground that it might com deck. Several men who were coiling tope on the forward deck had a narrow escape. The rigging was loosened and temporary repairs were made and the boat lay to until the steamboat came to tow her up. The Bennett has gone to the shippard at Brooklyn for repairs.

> Seeking Con! Supply. ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 11.-The Standard

Steel Company's representative from Lewistown is in the city making an effort to get coal. He has been at Windber and leaves today for the Clearfield district. He get a ton. The plant employs 2,500 men, and unless coal can be secured it will be compelled to close down. The plant has already used up all their stock of coal, over 5,600 tons. visited all the local operators, but cou'd not

Examinations for a Draftsman. The United States Civil Service Commission announced today that on January held in any city of the United States where there is a board of examiners, for the position of architectural and structural steel draftsman for the Navy.

Rumor had it last night that the charter revision commission will consist of seven members, and that Charles Stewart Smith and Nicholas Murray Butler would probably be among the governor's appointees. 9, 10, and 11, 1900, examinations will be

transfers are made in the Tenth Infantry: First Lieut, Mathew E. Saville, from Company H to Company E; First Lieut, G. Souland Turner, from Company E to Company II.

The leave of absence on surgeon's certificate of disability granted Major Henry Wygant, Twenty-fourth Infantry, Department of the Pacific and is

fourth Infantry, Department of the Facinic and is extended one month. Second Licut. Sylvester Bonnaffon, Thirteenth Infantry, will be relieved from duty at Columbus Barracks, Ohio, January I, 1999, and will then proceed to Fort Stocums, N. Y., and will ac-cumpany recruits to be sent from that post on er about January IS, 1999, to the Philippine Isl-ande and there join his regiment. Left to the People's Judgment

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Machine Leaders Begin to Show

NEW YORK, Dec. 11 .- Governor Roosevelt's rough riding over cherished projects at from 25 to 41. Young Rockefeller paid has begun to prove galling to the leaders the price and took the stock, but he was of the Republican State machine. Senator Platt's conference with the governor on Again came his sage friend, James R. Saturday was discussed with much free-big short interest that presently would positively have to buy Leather at any price. So young Rockefeller shut his teeth hard and kere on buying while the price keet on change in the relations between the leaders of the organization. The decision to allow

march which was stolen upon him by Seuator Platt and Mr. Odell, chairman of the Republican State Committee, in the annonncement that the State Constabulary bill had been abandoned. They did not Narrow Escape of Men on a Craft Off STAPLETON, S. L. Dec. 11.—The pilot bill, but killed it in Washington while he

tails, and it is already evident that there is opposition under the surface to his re-non ination. The Republican machine leaders believe that they can carry the State with any ticket next year, and they would naturally prefer a governor who more in sympathy with their point of view if Governor Hoosevelt would consent become a candidate for Vice President the situation would be cleared up and made easy. He has hitherto flatly declined to consider the possibility of such a thing, but means may be found to induce him to allow his name to be placed upon the ua tional ticket.

Outwardly the relations between Senator Platt and the governor are as cordial as ever, but there have been many differences of opinion between them in which the Senator has more than once been forced to yield his own views. That this has not been without its effect is too apparent to escape comment.

Rumor had it last night that the charter the governor's leaning toward the inde-pendents, but as the report of the commis-sion cannot be made until after the next election they do not regard the adoption of the recommendations of the commission as a foregone conclusion. Amendments to the charter in which there is political sig-nificance will be pushed through the legislature regardless of the commission.

READY TO ASSUME OFFICE. Governor-Elect Taylor to Be Swort

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 11 .- Everything

is in readiness for the inauguration of W S. Taylor, Kentucky's second Republican Governor, tomorrow at noon. The oath of office will be administered by Chief Justice Hazel Rigg, of the court of appeals. Governor Bradley will make an address as the outgoing governor, in which he will point out some of the many difficulties he has encountered as Kentucky's first Republican Governor. He will defend his action in calling out State guards during the famous Senatorial fight and of the recent election in Louisville. He will a so plead for more kindness and justice for 400,000 negroes in this State.

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In commenting on Bradler's administration, Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge aid this morning: "He has had two high rewards for faithful performance of his duties. He has received praise from good men and

has received praise from good men and abuse from violent men."

Governor Taylor will refer in his inaugural address to the excited state of public feeling and will admonish the people to go home, lay sside politics, and resume their usual avocations.

It is believed that the Democratic State Central Committee, which meets here Thursday, will advise against making contests, as the members of the committee have been constantly receiving letters and telegrams from leading Democrats from all parts of the State begging them to prevent contests. They believe the contests would still further disrupt the party and cause the Democracy to lose the State forever.

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